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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the aboveidentified application, in which prosecution is closed.

- 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:
 - X a. Please enter the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 26, 2002.
 - b. Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on, which arguments are hereby incorporated by reference.
 - c. An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith.
 - d. An Information Disclosure Statement, as well as copies of the cited references, is being filed concurrently herewith.
- 2. Other documents enclosed are as follows: Response to Advisory Action.
- 3. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number		Highest						
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	Any]	Previously		Present			4	Additional
	Amendment		Paid For		Extra		Rate		Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee		_		=		х		=	750
Total Claims	53	-	54	=	0	X	18	=	0
Independent Claims	12	-	12	=	0	X	84	=	0_
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- 4. Check No. 144056 in the amount of \$750.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
- 5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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